

Southern Greenlee County Trails Plan Study

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Introduction

The purpose of this project is to establish a plan for a county-wide system of multi-use trails. To do that, a process and vision for establishing the plan will be developed, trails data will be used to identify a priority network, and in working with stakeholders, a conceptual trails plan that identifies steps for funding and implementation will be developed.

Public Meeting

To inform and involve community members of the study, ADOT hosted a public open house at the Greenlee Country Club on Wednesday, April 30, 2014 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in Duncan. Staff present at the meeting included Laura Paty (HDR) and C.T. Revere and Mark Hoffman (ADOT). As part of the open house, there was an opportunity for Q&A, comments and suggestions for trail improvements. In total, 7 members of the community signed-in.

Newspaper Advertisement

A newspaper advertisement providing the date and locations of the open houses was published in the following newspaper:

- Eastern Arizona Courier (Weeks of April 14 and 21, 2014)

A copy of the advertisement can be found in Appendix A.

Meeting Materials

Maps of the study area and trails were available for review along with the opportunity for questions and answers about the study. In addition, comment forms were available to each attendee of the open house.

The following comments/questions were noted on the maps:

- A bicycle loop from Three Way, north on US 191 to Ward Canyon Road, southeast on Ward Canyon Road to Skyline View Road, southwest to Three Way.
- Black Jack Cave is south of SR 78 about halfway between Dromedary Trail and Big Lue Trail. There is no parking.
- Out of Duncan there is a trail suitable for OHV's. It somewhat parallels SR 70 all the way to Safford.
- There is good horseback riding country south and west of the Duncan airport; no specific trails. There is a potential trailhead location south of the airport, where two gas lines intersect.
- Equestrians are able to ride south from Duncan all the way to Lazy B Ranch; no specific trails.

A copy of the comment form can be found in Appendix B of this report.

Appendix A

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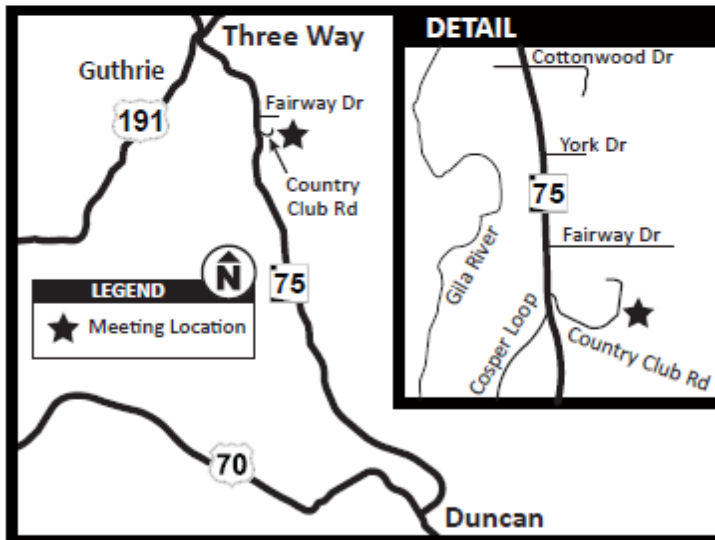
Public Open House

Greenlee County, in collaboration with the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), is developing a plan for a regional system of multiuse trails funded through ADOT's Planning Assistance for Rural Areas (PARA) program. The study will establish a process and vision for creating the trails plan, identify a priority network and identify steps for funding and implementation of the plan. Your input is needed to help establish the trails plan.

We want to hear from you

Join us on **Wednesday, April 30, 2014** from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the **Greenlee Country Club** to learn more about the study and to share your ideas on a trails plan for Greenlee County. Members of the study team will be available to provide information and take comments.

Greenlee Country Club • 510 Country Club Rd. • Duncan, AZ 85534



If you require special assistance to participate in the public meeting, please contact projects@azdot.gov or 855.712.8530. Requests should be made as soon as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

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Appendix B

Southern Greenlee County Trails Study Greenlee Country Club COMMENT FORM

Greenlee County, in collaboration with the Arizona Department of Transportation, is developing a plan for a regional system of multiuse trails to attract outdoor enthusiasts and provide recreation options for local residents. No one knows this area better than you, and the study team wants to know about the great places you hike, bicycle, ride horses and drive off-road vehicles. Please help us by providing information on this comment form.

Please list by name or number the three facilities you consider the highest priority.

Please specify improvements on existing trails that need attention in the short term.

Please list specific information for your favorite trail(s) that would help future users understand the condition and difficulty. Rate both condition and difficulty on a scale of 1 to 5. A rating of 1 = worst condition/least difficult. A rating of 5 = best condition/most difficult

Do your children use existing trails or paths to walk or bike to school? Please let us know what trails provide access to local schools and what might be done to improve them for this use.



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Email

Completion of this comment form is completely voluntary. All comments provided will become part of the study's documentation. Under state law, any identifying information will become part of the public record, and as such, must be released to any individual upon request.

